## **GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH**

## ABSTRACT

Cooperation Department – A.P. Tobacco Growers Cooperative Union Ltd., Ongole – Exemption from U/s 116(C) of the APCS Act 7 of 1964 – Permission accorded – Orders – Issued.

## **AGRICULTURE & COOPERATION (COOP.I) DEPARTMENT**

G.O.Rt.No. 179

<u>Dated:07-2-2009.</u> Read the following:

1. From Commissioner for Cooperation and Registrar of Cooperative Societies, A.P., Hyderabad Lr.Rc.No.31931/2007/MI, Dated:24.7.2008 and 24.11.2008.

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ORDER:

In the letter read above, the Commissioner for Cooperation and Registrar of Cooperative Societies, A.P., Hyderabad has stated that the District Cooperative Officer, Ongole has reported that the A.P. Tobacco Growers Cooperative Union Ltd., Ongole, was registered in the year 1984 to safe guard the interest of Tobacco Growers farmers in A.P. The Union has been purchasing tobacco as per the instructions of the Government to provide remunerative prices to the farmers. The membership of the Union is spread over 10 districts and the Union has been procuring tobacco by participating in the auctions at the platforms of Tobacco Board in 7 districts viz., Nellore, Prakasam, Krishna, West Godavari, East Godavari and Khammam and the Union has been functioning according to the guidelines issued by Government from time to time in procuring, grading, processing and marketing of tobacco. He has further reported that in addition to cadre strength of 13 employees, the Union has appointing skilled and unskilled employees temporarily on seasonal basis according to need for procurement, grading and processing of tobacco with prior approval and the expenditure so incurred is being met from the funds provided by the Government from Central Market Fund and Agricultural Market Committee for Market Intervention operations. The Union has been retrenching all these seasonal employees after the completion of work. condition of limitations of expenditure as per provisions of Section 116 (C) is causing difficulty to meet the required expenditure. He has also reported that in view of the unique nature of tobacco business, it is necessary to accord exemption to the Union from the operation of Section 116 (C) read with Rule 36 B to run the Union and to protect the interests of tobacco grower farmers in (10) ten districts of Andhra Pradesh.

- 2. The Commissioner for Cooperation and Registrar of Cooperative Societies, A.P., Hyderabad has requested the Government for exemption from the purview of 116 (C) of A.P.C.S. Act 1964 read with Rule 36 B of A.P.C.S. Act, 1964 for a period of three years in respect of A.P. Tobacco Growers Cooperative Union Ltd., Ongole, by which time the Union may be expected to improve its Financial position.
- 3. Government after careful consideration of the proposal, hereby exempt the A.P. Tobacco Growers Cooperative Union Ltd., Ongole from the provisions of Section 116-(C) of A.P.C.S. Act. 1964 for a period of three years. The A.P. Tobacco Growers Cooperative Union Ltd., Ongole is hereby instructed to improve its financial position within the above stipulated time of exemption.

4. The Commissioner for Cooperation and Registrar of Cooperative Societies, A.P., Hyderabad / District Cooperative Officer, Ongole are requested to take further necessary action accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

PANKAJ DWIVEDI PRL. SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To

The Commissioner for Cooperation and Registrar of Cooperative Societies, A.P., Hyderabad.

Copy to

The District Cooperative Officer, Ongole.

The PS to Minister (Coop).

The PS to Principal Secretary (C&M)

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//FORWARDED :: BY ORDER//

**SECTION OFFICER**